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Council Approves Host of Housekeeping Chores in June 11 Marathon Session

by Mary Lou Williamson

Much of the 40 item agenda at the June 11 city council meeting consisted of housekeeping chores. After spending almost two and a half hours on one item - approval of the Charter Amendment to provide for revenue bond financing of rehabilitation - council dealt hurriedly with the remaining 30 items. Consideration of a few, such as new legislation affecting financial disclosure and legislative proposals for the 1980 session, which would require more than a cursory glance, were postponed to the July meeting.

Council easily approved three requests from Greenbelt Homes. In each case council directed staff to write letters of support to the state or county agency involved. The city requested the Maryland Housing Authority Rehabilitation Program to set aside for use in fiscal 1980 one million dollars in loan funds for the GHI member optional rehabilitation program. Under this program, which would be administered by the city, individual GHI members could borrow funds at 6% interest for 20 years to finance remodeling of kitchens or bathrooms or other rehabilitation not included in the GHI rehabilitation package. The city is reluctant to hire a loan processor until loan funds are available even though the position will be paid for under the Neighborhood Strategies Area program.

"The city is already on record with the State supporting this program," City Manager James K. Giese reminded council, "but the State has never allocated any funds." Giese said he thought the State might be amenable to the re-

quest.

In a second letter the city will urge the county to amend its Housing Assistance Plan to include a sufficient number of Section 8 units to implement the NSA commitment to GHI. GHI would assign 325 housing assistance units to those members with very low incomes in order to help them afford rehabilitation of their homes.

In a third letter council will oppose the diversion to Cedar Heights of \$100,000 of third year Community Development Block Grant funds allocated to Greenbelt (GHI) for a Rehabilitation Loan Deferral Program. Giese was concerned that the funds might not be re-allocated to Greenbelt if once diverted elsewhere. Councilman Thomas X. White reminded council that the city wrote to County Executive Larry Hogan and County Council Chairman William Ammonett on this same issue in early February. "This is a commitment they've already made to us!" asserted Mayor Richard Pilski.

These programs require a "partnership among the county, city and GHI," commented Councilman Charles Schwan. "... the several parts should not be tampered with."

A Plea

Before council voted to adjourn at 1:15 a.m. following agenda item 41, Schwan made his annual brief but urgent plea to council. "If we are to be faced with agendas of this kind during the summer, it is ridiculous not to consider meeting more frequently than once a month."

No one, except two members of the press, seemed to hear him.

Council Approves

Council:—set in motion an increase in the fine for traffic or parking vio-

lations from five to ten dollars (first reading).

—authorized an additional, though temporary, \$6,000 loan to the Greenbelt Fire Department from the unappropriated surplus of the General Fund. The money will be used for interest, furnishings and other expenses resulting from the newly constructed addition to the fire station. The Fire Dept. had expected the county budget to cover these items, which it so far has failed to do.

—agreed to an end-of-the-year transfer of funds among departments and an adjustment for certain items such as gasoline purchased through negotiations.

—renewed the city's police insurance as of July 1 through the McFarlin Insurance Agency at a cost not to exceed \$4,220.

—amended the Position Classification Plan for city personnel.

—raised the retainer fee for the city solicitor, Emmett Nanna, for the first time in 12 years from \$300 to \$500 per month.

—approved 30 days administrative leave for Police Corporal David Fulgham who must undergo additional surgery as a result of an on-the-job injury.

—approved 30 days advance of sick leave for city mechanic Cecil Breeden who has undergone extensive medical treatment for a non-work related ailment. Breeden and Fulgham had both used up their available leaves.

—approved the low bid of Lee, Hendricks & Co. for auditing service for a fee of between \$5,050 and \$6,410.

—nominated Councilman Thomas X. White to serve on the Legislative Action Committee of the Maryland Municipal League. Councilman Gil Weidenfeld, who has served in that capacity for the past five years declined to serve again citing increased obligations for this fall.

—approved spending \$6,500 for Greenbelt's share of the final closing of the land fill shared with College Park in the Agricultural Research Center.

News Review Deadline

Next week the deadline for submission of News Review copy and advertising will be on Monday night, July 2, instead of the usual Tuesday.



Miss Greenbelt

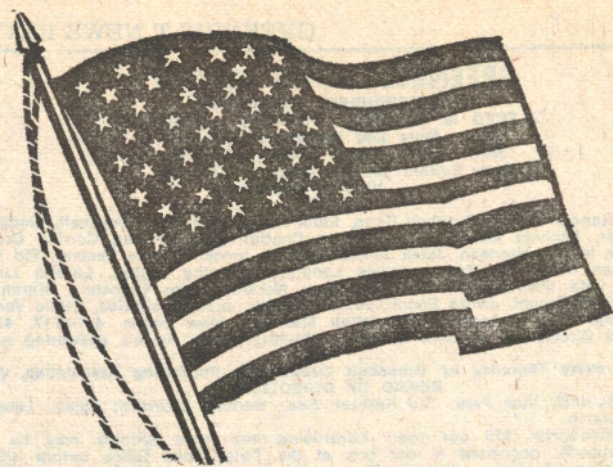
Girls interested in learning about the Miss Greenbelt Pageant are invited to an informational meeting at the Greenbelt Library, Mon., July 9 at 7:30 p.m. All Greenbelt girls, ages 15-19 are eligible. For more information, contact Barbara VanWambeke, 345-2278.

F-6 and T-16 Buses Have Schedule Change

Greenbelters who regularly take the F-6 or T-16 bus should plan to arrive five minutes early beginning July 1. Because of routing changes, a few of these buses will not be arriving at the time scheduled.

New schedules will be available on the buses or by calling 637-1261 to receive one by mail.

The F-6 will be rerouted in the Silver Spring area via Fenton St. and Colesville Rd. to Ramsey Ave and the Silver Spring Metro station.



July 4 Celebration Promises To "Transform the Heavens"

by Alan Amberg

"On (July 4), the (people of Greenbelt) will be waiting and watching ... for the first shades of night to descend ... In anticipation (of) ... (the) mystery and magic (that) will transform the heavens." This passage is extracted from a press release by Zambelli Fireworks Internationale, the company that is providing this year's fireworks display for the Fourth of July! Zambelli has provided the city with fireworks in past years, although last year's show was purchased from Columbus Fireworks Inc.

In Zambelli's words, this year's fireworks should be truly great; ... "the skies will bloom with giant flowers dispensing gentle petals of rich and bright color; trees will spread their gracious limbs toward the infinity of some distant dream; birds will flutter in a mythic dance of magic; and carefully constructed stars will burst into almost every geometric form and design imaginable."

This "fragment of paradise" was purchased by the city for \$2,499.25, and contains 65 9-inch shells, 89 12-inch shells, 85 15-inch shells, 62 18-inch shells, and a Grand Finale of 340 skyrockets, all to be fired at once. Also included are 10 ground displays with such old favorites as "Niagara Falls" and "Pin-the-tail-on-the-Donkey", plus some new surprises.

The city also has decided to purchase 4 24-inch rockets at a cost of \$28 for an extra splash of color.

This year's display will be set off by the city staff at about 9 p.m. and will run for approximately 25 minutes. Residents are asked not to call the police department for starting times of festival activities.

The Greenbelt Concert Band will perform on the bandstand at the Lake under the baton of Conductor John DelHomme. A wide variety of pieces are scheduled, including: "America", "Parade of the Charioteers" from Ben-Hur, selections from "Royal Fireworks Music" and "Water Music Suite" by Handel, "Star-Spangled Spectacular" by George M. Cohan, and the traditional Grand Finale with the 1812 Overture by Tchaikowsky. Stephen Polaschik will be the announcer. The concert will start at 7 p.m. and end shortly before the Fireworks Display.

Parking

The parking situation will probably be like last year's ... atrocious! Residents are advised, if possible, to walk to the Lake and City Parking Permit holders are reminded that while there are 20 "permit-only" spaces, there are about 200 permit holders. Parking will be allowed in the vicinity of the Lake Park, along Crescent Road, Lastner Lane and Ivy Lane, on

Wednesday, July 4 only.

Picnicking

No reservations can be made for picnic areas at the Lake on the fourth. All facilities are "first-come, first-serve". The fireworks will be set off at the spillway, which will be off-limits to all but city personnel.

The whole police force will be patrolling the Lake Park Area and will be enforcing city ordinances strictly. Picnickers are reminded of the following rules: No alcoholic beverages in the Lake Park, including beer; No swimming - very cold spring water feeds the lake, which can cause severe cramps, and the lake is full of entangling water plants, etc. that can trap swimmers; All animals must be leashed, but the police department cautions that pets would be better left at home, since animals don't like the crowds or the noise and the scent of the fireworks; All private boats must be registered with the City of Greenbelt before they are allowed on Greenbelt Lake, though boats may be rented from the concession stand; and most importantly - it is illegal for individuals to use firecrackers or sparklers in the State of Maryland, so don't bring them! Firecrackers are very dangerous in crowds, especially with so many children around.

Recreation

All recreation centers will be open July 4, from 12-6 p.m. There will be a Jokari Tournament at 10 a.m.; interested persons should meet at the Handball Wall behind the Municipal Swimming Pool. The championship games for Slow Pitch softball will start at 9 a.m. at Braden Field.

Greenbelt CARES

The CARES Job Bank is seeking odd job opportunities for young persons, particularly those under the age of 16. Job possibilities could include babysitting, lawn-mowing, errand running and housecleaning. Please call the juvenile counselors, Wendy or Jim, 345-6660, for further information.

CARES will not hold its family clinic on July 4 due to the Holiday observance.

Agencies to Review Plans To Reduce Beltsville Farm

by Elaine Skolnik

During the summer months, various governmental agencies and municipalities will review the Master Plan for the Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC). The plan will be submitted to the National Capital Planning Commission (NCP) on July 5.

Recommendations by NCP Executive Director Reginald W. Griffith and staff, appropriate agencies and municipalities will follow at a meeting in early September. At that time Griffith will also offer a recommendation on the proposal by the General Services Administration (GSA) to cut about 41% of the acreage of BARC.

The current proposal to "excess" 3,390 acres of the 8,220-acre BARC property results from (1) a 1972 executive order under which various parts of BARC have been declared "excess" in recent years and (2) a GSA survey performed in late 1978. The survey was conducted in an effort to end a disagreement between GSA and the Agriculture Department over how BARC's land can best be put to use. GSA contends that optimal use of the land is not being made. The Agriculture Department counters that many ongoing research projects, by their very nature, require less than optimum use.

The move to declare a large part of BARC "excess" is also seen as threatening the last open wedges of green space along the Baltimore-Washington corridor. The bulk of land at issue is a 2,700-acre section east of Soil Conservation Road which provides buffer

zones between BARC and both the abutting Goddard Space Flight Center and the Patuxent Wildlife Preserve.

The proposal to "excess" drew fire from Senator Paul Sarbanes, Congresswoman Gladys Spellman, Agriculture Secretary Bob Berglund and several area citizens groups. Over the years, the Greenbelt City Council has consistently gone on record against the reduction of BARC's green space. On June 11 city council members reiterated their opposition.

BARC is touted as the largest agricultural research facility in the world - a "National Showcase of Agriculture research," and the leading, most diversified agricultural research complex in the world.

Sarbanes and Spellman noted in a letter to GSA that "the releasing of this land to other federal agencies or to private development would be a severe loss to the residents of Maryland, many of whom rely on the Center for their livelihood." BARC is also used by local residents who enjoy walking and bicycling through the area.

Federal land declared surplus is offered first to other federal agencies. If none want it, next in line are state, county, and municipal governments and finally individuals, in that order.



OFFICIAL NOTICE

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Clifton Cunningham Retires After 9 Years at Mowatt

by Ralph Noble

The Rev. Clifton D. Cunningham, member of the Baltimore Conference of the United Methodist Church, was honor guest with his wife, Mary Elizabeth, at a church wide pot-luck dinner at Mowatt Memorial United Methodist Church on Sunday evening, June 10. He has been pastor here for nine years, since October 1, 1970. Pastor Cunningham's retirement was also recognized at a ceremony on June 18 at the annual meeting of the Conference on the campus of the University of Maryland Baltimore County in Catonsville.

At the retirement dinner at Mowatt Memorial words of praise for the Cunninghams' work in Greenbelt were given by members in an impromptu tribute, with Al Cousin, administrative board chairman, as master of ceremonies.

Willis Gault, violin maker and musician, presented selections on his viola d'amore.

The Celebration Choir and Children's Choir gave a concert of songs interspersed with testimonials of praise for Pastor Cunningham. Donna Hardman also sang her song, "Dear Lord," words and music by Donna, and was her own organist. Louise Craig was script writer and director and Donna was organist.

Former Pastor Keith Johnson sent a letter for the occasion, and a note of appreciation was read from our oldest charter member, Mrs. Doris McNeel of Greenbelt.

There were over 100 persons at the dinner, including many of our members and congregants who have moved to other communities.

A special feature was the "Bible

Cake" made and decorated by Maxine Smith, with appropriate Scripture verses as part of the decoration. This was served to all who attended.

Special guests at the head table included Jean and Frank Mayhew now of Gaithersburg, Sarah and Bill Thornton and son of Riverdale, the Rev. Charles I. Wallace, Sr., district superintendent, and Katherine and Rev. Kenneth C. Buker, Sr.

Danny Burns presented the honoree and Mary, the green fruited money tree which had grown rapidly that evening. Pastor Cunningham expressed his thanks and asked to have a cutting from the tree.

Maria Jones, chairperson of the special committee, delivered the closing remarks and thanked the committee and the many others who helped in so many ways to make the event the success it was. The other committee members were Nettie Brockway, Goldie Eisenburg, Agnes Romard, Danny Burns, Al Cousin, Attaway Myers, and Maxine Smith. Ralph Noble and Richard Craig were ex-officio members.

Vacation Church School

Vacation Church School at Greenbelt Community Church will be held at the same time as Sunday Family Worship, 10 a.m., during the months of July and August. The program will begin Sunday, July 1 and will continue for nine weeks. Boys and girls in the program will attend Sunday Worship for the first ten minutes of the service and will then participate in the Vacation Church School. This program is open to all boys and girls who wish to attend.

New Pastor Assigned To Mowatt Memorial

by Ralph E. Noble

The Rev. Ira C. Keperling, who for the past nine years served Golvans United Methodist Church in Baltimore, has been appointed pastor of Mowatt Memorial UMC. Bishop James K. Mathews made the appointment at the annual meeting of the Baltimore Conference of the Methodist Church held at Catonsville June 14 to June 27. Rev. Keperling will assume the pastorate Sunday, July 1.

The Rev. Mr. Keperling, born in Lancaster, Pa., has degrees from Western Maryland and Wesley Theological Seminary, and was licensed to preach in 1944 with full ordination in 1957 from the Pennsylvania Conference of the United Brethren Church. He has served at Manchester, Md., Winterstown, Pa., Hagerstown, Md., and Baltimore.

The Keperlings, Ira and Elizabeth, who have three grown sons, will be making their new home at 2-A Northway, after June 28. Their new phone number is 474-1924.

At the Sunday, July 1 service Rev. Keperlin will speak on "Religion's Great Surprise." There will be special music by the celebrated Celebration Choir (augmented) with Louise Craig as director.

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Through investigation, Cpl. Brumley was able to identify the two suspects responsible for the robbery on June 11 of the Computer Hut in the Beltway Plaza. Warrants were secured and served on both persons. One person was incarcerated in lieu of \$20,000 bond and the other in lieu of \$26,000 bond.

Three residences were reportedly broken into during the week. An apartment in Greenbriar was entered during the early morning hours Saturday, while the resident was sleeping. A cassette player and purse were stolen. An apartment in Springhill Lake was broken into sometime last weekend while the residents were away. Electronic equipment and jewelry were reported stolen.

Holiday Refuse Schedule

Due to the July Fourth holiday, there will be no paper pickup next Wednesday, July 4. An attempt will be made to collect all paper on Thursday. All other refuse collections will be as regularly scheduled.

A house on Ridge Road was also broken into while the owners were away. Various items were stolen. Investigation is continuing in all cases.

PFC Watkins attended the awards ceremonies and presented school patrol awards at Springhill Lake Elementary, Center Elementary and North End Elementary schools.

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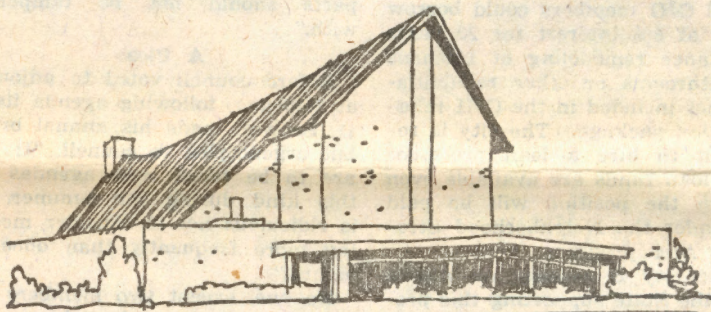
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Vacation Church School 10 a.m.

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Greenbelt Students Receive Honors

by Barbara Likowski
Greenbelt students received many awards at their schools' end-of-the-year award assemblies.

Roosevelt

Congresswoman Gladys Noon Spellman was present at Eleanor Roosevelt High School's third annual award ceremony on May 22. Spellman joined faculty and other honored guests in congratulating students who received awards.

Greenbelters took many honors. David Daughenbaugh won the Prince Georges County Public School Systems award which is given to the student who has the greatest grade point average improvement. The Greenbelt Woman's Club presented their award to Valerie Richards. Laina Crockett won the Alfred Skolnik Memorial Award given to that Greenbelt student who excels in journalism or writing, and Diane Burchick won an award for outstanding service to students and faculty.

Students given National Merit Scholarship recognition were: finalists Craig Fitzreiter and Alex Likowski; commended students Riki Maeda and Rafael Sela. State of Maryland Merit Scholastic Awards for students having a 3.7 cumulative average or better for 7 semesters (top 5% of graduates) went to Rudi Distler, Riki Maeda,

Rafael Sela and Frank Wilson. Departmental awards were given to: Mark Henry, Raider's Digest art award, Irene Meglis, Captain, Latin team; Andy Meglis, Level II Latin; Diane Burchick, business; Rafael Sela, English; Peter Bracken, Industrial Arts; Rafael Sela, Science.

Music awards presented were: Band directors' award, Jon Birner; Orchestra Director's award, Baca Cockburn; and Chorus, Jon Birner.

First place winner in the Prince Georges County Public Schools Typing Contest was Diane Burchick. Diane typed 99 words per minute.

Bethune

Greenbelters received the following awards at the awards program of Mary Bethune Junior High School: Citizenship, Lucille Hammond; Service, Cindy Osborne, Hanna Kaibin, Anil Dwivedi, and Douglas Patton.

Departmental awards were given to: Anne McCracken, French; Jason Warner, Music, and Edith Belitza, Social Studies.

Recognized for honors were: Anil Dwivedi, Samuel Falk, Wade Heisig, Jon Peterson, Theresa Alfaro, Edith Belitza, Lucille Hammond, Debbie Newton, Cindy Osborne, and Anne McCracken.

Greenbelt

At Greenbelt Junior High School's

ERHS Magazine Rated High In Four-State Competition

The Raider's Digest, Eleanor Roosevelt High School's literary magazine competed with magazines from a four state area in the Maryland Scholastic Press Association and won third place.

Greenbelters who had literary works in the last issue of the school year were: Alan Amberg, Ann Marie Charter, Laina Crockett and Heather Peterson; those with artistic entries were Mark Henry, Ken Blue, Bob Bodner and Denise Bodner.

awards program Greenbelters received various honors.

Tracey Martin was recognized as the most valuable player on the girls' basketball team.

Certificates for earning a 4.0 average for at least one quarter of this school year went to: Donald Logan, 9th grade; Khalid Medhat, 8th grade; and Annette Alo, Robert Hart, Shinae Hong, Carrie Kelly, Rajeev Mehta, and Michael Schultz, 7th grade.

Receiving recognition for having been on the honor roll for 3 years were Tyna Andrews, Donald Logan, Tracey Martin and Pamela Smith.

Student council awards were given to Tyna Andrews, outstanding student council executive vice-president and to Kathy Holloway and David Morales, for outstanding contributions to the student council by non-members.

Yearbook awards were presented to Tracey Martin, business editor; Anne Hyde, editor-in-training; Stephanie Simons, 9th grade editor, and Cheryl Jones, 7th grade editor. Newspaper awards were given to Anita Gupta, reporter and David Morales, reporter and photographer.

James Bonistalli and Tracey Martin received certificates for participating in the French contest.

North End

American Legion Citizenship medals were presented to Amir Sela and Angela Barnett. Runners up were Edward Belisle and Ariana Radcliffe.

The Greenbelt Junior Chamber of Commerce Award for outstanding citizenship and academic achievement was presented to Persa Batra.

Physical education certificates were presented to a large number of children.

Springhill Lake

Julie Shinneman and Eric O'Neill were awarded the American Legion Citizenship medals. Sherri Hein and Michael Horstman were second place winners.

Memorial awards for compassion and generosity given in memory of Tracy DeLauder and Eric Mulvey were presented to Ola Medhat and Tommy Roberts.

The Mrs. Ethel B. Golden (former principal) award for reading enjoyment was given to Terri Coleman, Adrienne Johnson and Anne McKenzie. Essay awards went to Ola Medhat, Debbie Farmer and James Washington.

Center

Greenbelters Mee Young Yi and Eric Hirschmann received the American Legion Awards at Center School's Awards program, Thursday, June 14. Runners up were Margaret Williamson, Iris Thomas, Tim Savage and Michael Gielen. The awards, given for courage, honor, patriotism, scholarship, and leadership, were presented by Mrs. Leslie Tannenbaum from the American Legion Auxiliary.

P.T.A. President Dick French presented the first annual Junior Chamber of Commerce award to the outstanding fifth grader, Ellen Golembe.

Physical education presidential awards went to fifth graders Angela Hexon and Paula Hirschmann, and sixth grader Mike Gielen. Physical Education director Stapler Shields received an award for distinguished supervision.

Recognition was given to Taunya

Richmond, Mee Young Yi and Eric Hirschmann for perfect attendance.

Gold service pins and certificates for outstanding Safety Patrol work were presented to Karen Weiner, Eric Hirschmann, Anne Sowers, Mee Young Yi, Terry Work, Julie Van Brunt, Lisa Camino, Iris Thomas, Jeff Shifflett and Leigh Jas-court.

Certificates for participation in instrumental music were given to Iris Thomas, Margaret Williamson, Cole Lauber, Timothy Savage, Gregory Varda and Eric Hirschmann.

A special award went to Amie Stoppelbein for participation in county chorus.

(If anyone has been missed, please notify the News Review.)

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City of Greenbelt Voter

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1979 Council Election

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In order to vote in a city election, it is necessary to be a registered voter of the City of Greenbelt. REGISTRATION WITH PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY DOES NOT ENTITLE GREENBELT CITIZENS TO VOTE IN CITY ELECTIONS. However, it is very easy to register with the city, and the only requirements are:

- United States citizen
- 18 years of age on or before the date of the next city election (Sept. 18, 1979)
- Of sound mind
- Domiciled in the City of Greenbelt.

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Gudrun H. Mills
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Recreation Review

Holiday Hours

Both the Springhill Lake Recreation Center and Youth Center will open at 12 noon on July 4. Centers will close at 6 p.m. The Band Concert at the Lake, begins at 7 p.m., and the fireworks will begin at dark.

Chucks 'N' Lassies

Boys and girls, ages 6-12 years, are urged to attend this activity of group games and physical activities on Tues. and Thurs. from 10 a.m. - 12 noon at the Youth Center. Shirts will be given to those children who attend regularly.

Summer Playgrounds

Playgrounds are held at the Springhill Lake Recreation Center and North End Elementary School, Mon. thru Fri., 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. All children, 6-12 years, are welcome. Activities include arts and crafts, sports, table games, nature hikes and special events. The playgrounds are co-sponsored by the Greenbelt Recreation Department and the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission.

Jokari Tournament

Plan now to participate in the first Jokari Tournament in this area. It is open to boys and girls, men and women of all ages. All persons wishing to participate should meet at the Youth Center on Wed., July 4, at 10 a.m.

Summer Teen Sports Program

This year, the Recreation Department is running a summer sports program for teens, ages 12-15 years. There will be pick-up games ranging from softball to soccer. Those interested should come down to Braden Field #2 Mondays and Fridays from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Kava Splash Party News

Mother Nature did not cooperate for the First Splash Party, but better weather is expected for the next party on July 7. Entertainment will be provided by the Cosmos Sound, who will have the Top of the Chart Selections as well as the Best of the Golden Oldies.

Orioles Game In July

On July 19, the Greenbelt Recreation Department and Kava Teen Club are sponsoring a night at Baltimore's Memorial Stadium to see the league leading Baltimore Orioles. The 'Birds' will be playing the California Angels, one of the top clubs in the American League. The trip will cost just enough to cover admission and bus transportation. Seats are limited and will be sold on a first come, first serve basis. The bus will leave the Youth Center at 6 p.m.

Tennis Court Sign-in

For your convenience, a central location is established for tennis court reservations at the Braden Field Tennis Courts. A sign-in board, with reservation sheets for each of the eight courts, is located at the center outside area of the complex. All players must sign-in as outlined by the posted rules. Please check permits for tournaments and city lessons to avoid unnecessary delay. Thank you for your cooperation.

Free Summer Institute

The College of Engineering at the University of Maryland and the Goddard Space Flight Center Federal Women's Program are sponsoring a two-week summer Institute in Science and Technology this July to acquaint junior high school girls entering ninth grade with the many non-traditional job opportunities now open to women in engineering, mathematics, and science.

The free program includes group and individual meetings with professional women at the G.S.F.C. who have chosen these scientific careers. In addition, a field trip is planned to the Air and Space Museum in Washington, D.C.

The institute will be held at the G.S.F.C. from July 16-27, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. each weekday and is open to girls entering the ninth grade this fall who have an interest in science and math.

Lunch and transportation to and from the G.S.F.C. must be provided by the student. For additional information call, Marilyn Berman, counselor, College of Engineering at 454-2421.

City and MNCPPC Complete Memorandum of Understanding

A Memorandum of Understanding between the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission and the city of Greenbelt was signed recently to foster cooperation in areas of their joint concern. These areas include planning and zoning, especially as they apply to the Greenbelt-College Park Master Plan, administration of recreation programs and acquisition and development of parks.

The Memorandum is designed to set forth and refine an already established, informal relationship between the MNCPPC and the City of Greenbelt.

In respect to planning, the memorandum recognizes the role of the city's Advisory Planning Board in making recommendations to the Greenbelt city council. The memorandum also commits to the city, where appropriate and available, staff assistance from the Prince Georges County Planning Board. The Greenbelt City Council is further authorized to make recommendations to the Planning Board on priorities in emphasis and scheduling of projects within a fiscal year.

Council may also make recommendations to the Planning Board on such concerns as living and employment areas, open space and conservation systems, circulation and transportation systems, activity centers (including Metro Centers), public facilities and special treatment areas. Council input is also sought in implementing programs through such means as the Capital Improvements Program, the Neighborhood Improvement Program and the Community Development Program.

Of particular interest to Greenbelt is the MNCPPC's commitment in the memorandum to review as promptly as possible any applications filed by the city, and to refer to the city copies of all zoning petitions, special exception requests, subdivision plats, technical staff reports and planning programming schedules, relating to the geographical area directly surrounding the city.

The area covered by the memorandum is bounded on the south by Good Luck Road, on the west by the Baltimore-Ohio tracks, on the north by Beaver Dam Road and on the east by Soil Conservation Road and Cipriano Road.

Park Land Development

Upon request, or when items of joint concern are being discussed, MNCPPC staff members may attend APB meetings.

Since parkland development or redevelopment by the MNCPPC in the immediate area of Greenbelt could affect park and recreation facilities within the city boundaries, the Commission agrees to keep the city informed and will take into consideration the city's views on such parkland development.

When plans for subdivisions within the city of Greenbelt involve mandatory dedication requirements for recreational purposes, the Commission agrees to solicit the city's recommendation. This recommendation will then be considered by the Planning Board in requiring from developers either mandatory dedication or fee-in-lieu of mandatory dedication. Correspondingly, Greenbelt will inform the MNCPPC of intended acquisition or development of new park or recreation facilities within the city.

In scheduling events in the County recreational program, the Planning Board will submit its plans for Greenbelt and vicinity for prior review and comment before submission of the Commission's budget to the county government. Similarly, Greenbelt will submit its proposed program for city-funded park and recreational activities to the MNCPPC before the city budget hearing is held. For jointly operated programs and facilities, the agencies may, by mutual consent, approve regulations concerning responsibilities, funding and operating rules. If denied, the Greenbelt Parks and Recreation Advisory Board may receive staff assistance from the MNCPPC to encourage the coordination of mutual concerns.

The Commission staff may also attend PRAB meetings when items of joint concern are being discussed.

Greenbelt and the MNCPPC have also agreed to share use of one another's construction or special maintenance equipment if not required for the owning party's work. A fee, based on actual operating costs, shall be charged.

In conclusion, representatives of the city and the MNCPPC have agreed to meet at least annually, or at more frequent intervals if deemed necessary by mutual consent, to coordinate activities, to review progress achieved under the provisions of the Memorandum of Understanding, and to consider amendments to it.



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NOTICE

OF CHARTER AMENDMENT

At a regular meeting held on June 11, 1979, the City Council of Greenbelt, Maryland, adopted Charter Amendment Resolution 1979-3 (Resolution #422), and the following Title of the Resolution is a fair summary of the amendment:

CHARTER AMENDMENT RESOLUTION NUMBER 1979-3

(Resolution #422)

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF GREENBELT ADOPTED PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF ARTICLE 11E OF THE CONSTITUTION OF MARYLAND AND SECTION 13 OF ARTICLE 23A OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND (1957 EDITION AS AMENDED), TITLE "CORPORATION-MUNICIPAL," SUBTITLE "HOME RULE," TO AMEND THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF GREENBELT, SAID CHARTER BEING SUBTITLE 40 OF ARTICLE 17 OF THE CODE OF PUBLIC LOCAL LAWS OF MARYLAND (1963 EDITION AS AMENDED) AND CONTAINING IN WHOLE OR IN PART THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF GREENBELT, BY ADDING A NEW SECTION 58, TITLED "REVENUE BOND FINANCING," TO PROVIDE AUTHORITY FOR THE ISSUANCE BY THE CITY OF GREENBELT, MARYLAND (THE "CITY") OF BONDS PAYABLE AS TO PRINCIPAL AND INTEREST SOLELY FROM THE REVENUES OF ONE OR MORE REVENUE-PRODUCING PROJECTS; TO SET FORTH CERTAIN LEGISLATIVE FINDINGS; TO SET FORTH THE PUBLIC PURPOSES SUCH FINANCING IS EXPECTED TO ACHIEVE; TO DEFINE THE TYPES OF PROJECTS ELIGIBLE FOR ASSISTANCE THROUGH REVENUE BOND FINANCING TO BE LIMITED TO REHABILITATION OF EXISTING STRUCTURES; TO PROVIDE FOR THE SECURITY AND TO RECOGNIZE THE TAX EXEMPTION OF THE BONDS; TO PROVIDE FOR THE DETERMINATION BY ORDINANCE OF THE FORM, TERM, INTEREST RATE OR RATES OR METHOD OF DETERMINING THEM, TERMS, CONDITIONS, MATURITIES AND ALL OTHER DETAILS INCIDENT TO THE ISSUANCE, SALE AND PAYMENT OF THE BONDS; TO PROVIDE THAT THE REVENUE BONDS ARE NOT TO CONSTITUTE ANY INDEBTEDNESS OF THE CITY TO WHICH ITS FAITH AND CREDIT OR TAXING POWER ARE PLEDGED; TO PROVIDE FOR A TRUST AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY AND A CORPORATE TRUSTEE AND FOR THE PROVISIONS THEREOF; TO PROVIDE FOR REFUNDING BONDS; AND TO PROVIDE FOR ALL OTHER MATTERS DEEMED NECESSARY OR APPROPRIATE BY THE COUNCIL TO EFFECT AN AUTHORIZED FINANCING.

The above amendment shall become and be considered a part of the Charter of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, according to the terms of the amendment, in all respects to be effective and observed as such, upon the 31st day of July, 1979, unless on or before the fortieth day after passage, which shall be the 21st day of July, 1979, there shall be presented to the Council of the City of Greenbelt, Maryland, or mailed to it by registered mail, a petition for referendum signed by twenty percent or more of the persons qualified to vote in the general election of the City of Greenbelt, requesting that the above Charter Amendment be submitted on referendum to the voters of the City of Greenbelt.

A copy of the above Charter Amendment Resolution is posted in the Greenbelt Municipal Building - Edgar L. Smith Wing - in accordance with the requirements of Section 13(d) of Article 23A of the Annotated Code of Maryland, and copies may also be obtained from the City Clerk, 25 Crescent Road, Greenbelt, Maryland, 20770, telephone 474-3870 or 474-8000.

James K. Giese, City Manager

Council Gives Go-ahead for Development of Parks in Greenbriar, Springhill Lake

by Alan Amberg

Greenbelt's park system will soon be improved with the development of three neighborhood parks, two in Springhill Lake and one in Greenbriar.

At the May 22 meeting of city council, on a motion by councilman Charles Schwan, council directed the parks and recreational staff to undertake Phase I of a two-phase development program proposed by Recreation Director Harry Irving in a March 29 memorandum to Council.

The first phase will be funded out of \$4500 set aside in last year's budget to buy playground equipment for Springhill Lake and Greenbriar. According to Dennis Piendak, Assistant City Manager, the parks may not receive much attention until this fall, however, because of the city's backlog of work.

Greenbriar

The Greenbriar Neighborhood Park is located in the woods at the intersection of Hanover Parkway and Mandan Road, adjacent to Eleanor Roosevelt High School. Residents of Greenbriar Phase II have mostly been in favor of the project.

Phase I development of the Greenbriar park calls for a ¾ mile circuit path, which will function as a trail for hikers and bikers. The path, on which construction is mostly completed, is paved with natural wood chips and bordered by logs from fallen trees. A foot-bridge will be built over the stream on the path. Four spur trails will be built off the main trail and picnic stations will be located along these.

For picnickers, 8 picnic tables, 4 trash cans (both obtainable from city stockpiles) and a picnic shelter will be available. Also, a wood climber with arch and tire swing will be provided for the kids.

The estimated cost of Phase I development is \$1,125.

Eventually a 16-station "Fun and Fitness" obstacle course, similar to the one behind the Jaycees Clubhouse, will be added to the trail.

SHL Recreation Center

The city park around the SHL Recreation Center is planned to be a multi-purpose recreational com-

plex. The plan for the SHL Center Park was originally submitted by PRAB in 1974.

Phase I of the program includes a picnic grove at the far boundary of the city property, near the stream bridge. It will be equipped with 8 picnic tables and 4 trash cans. A golf shelter station will also be built with a golf course directory and a rules-and-regulations board. The old first golf green will be kept up as a grassy play field for unprogrammed lawn games. A wooden climber will be placed in the picnic area and two horseshoe courts will be constructed nearby. Estimated cost for Phase I is \$950.00.

SHL Neighborhood Park

The SHL Neighborhood Park will be located on the Board of Education wooded property between Greenbelt Junior High School and Breezewood Drive. Greenbelt will develop these woods as a park to serve Springhill Lake and also for various nature classes at the Junior High. At present, dense undergrowth provides concealment for people who go there to drink and cause unruly behavior. Several assaults have occurred here and it is felt that clearing the woods of underbrush may aid efforts to patrol the area.

The proposal to develop a park in this location came from the former principal of GJHS and Greenbelter, Charles Collins, and from Arnold Thomas, employee of the Board of Education and a former Greenbelter. Collins and Thomas were concerned about the crime and abuse, and felt that an arrangement of this type would be advantageous to all parties.

The original proposal was two-fold. First, removal of underbrush and thinning of weak existing trees to facilitate development of a picnic area. Thirty to thirty-five picnic tables, 11 cookers and 11 trash cans were called for in this area. Tables, grills and cans would all be anchored. In addition, checker tables and benches would be provided for senior citizens near Breezewood Drive. Pathways into the area would also be improved.

Secondly, the land adjacent to the athletic fields and the picnic area would be developed as a nature area for use by the local schools.

Present Plan

Phase I of the present plan calls

for the following: 12 picnic tables, 4 park benches, 4 trash receptacles, and a bike rack. Charcoal grills are not recommended. A double slide climber is included, as well as improvement of existing trails with wood chips and gravel.

Phase II is the development of the nature area and the installation of a wood obstacle course identical to that behind the Jaycees' Clubhouse. The nature area will have a kiosk in which to base nature activities.

The total cost of this park is estimated at \$5000. Four thousand of the necessary \$5000 will be provided by the city, and it is hoped that the remaining \$1000 will be provided by the Greenbelt Junior High Recreational Co-op Council.

The GJHS Recreational Co-op Council is a unique organization, in which Greenbelt, College Park, Berwyn Heights, the M-NCPPC and the Board of Education cooperate to run a series of classes at GJHS. The Council uses school equipment for its classes; proceeds from the classes go to buy more equipment, which the school system also uses. The Council has already purchased baseball supplies, dark room equipment, etc. It runs 40 classes at the Junior High and is self-supporting. As the park is on Junior High land and would benefit other nearby municipalities, especially Berwyn Heights, the Co-op Council has an interest in the park's development.

While the present principal at GJHS, Charles Post, is in favor of the proposal, the Board of Education still has not reached an agreement with the city on how to develop the park. Councilman Thomas X. White noted that there are "a lot of other players" (Co-op Council, B. of Ed., etc.) Arnold Thomas will be in charge of getting the students' input and help in development of the nature area.

Most of the city council seemed in favor of proceeding with the neighborhood parks development, hoping in particular that these new parks will not only take some of the strain off the Lake Park but also get people off the streets and out of the Springhill Lake Shopping Center.

To have parks within walking distance of homes will be "very timely with the energy crunch" commented Councilman Gil Weidenfeld.

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Project 80: Giant Water Pipeline Or Giant Boondoggle Council Asks

by Virginia Beauchamp

At the request of city councilman Thomas X. White, an inquiry into the status of Project 80, the giant water pipeline being installed by the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission, was added to the city council agenda for the May 21 meeting. White was concerned because of press reports that Montgomery County had blocked construction for that section of the pipeline lying within its own jurisdiction.

The pipeline, which is designed to carry water from a Potomac River filtration plant into southern Prince Georges County, is planned to cross a portion of Greenbelt. It will run along the north side of the Capital Beltway from Kenilworth Ave. east through city parkland and Parcel 15 near Charlestowne Village and the American Legion.

"This pipeline is to go through sensitive areas of city parkland," White said. "If it could be avoided, we would be that much better off. I felt all along it was a giant boondoggle." Since Montgomery County was apparently questioning the viability of the project, White felt council should ask the National Capital Planning Commission to "defer and take a look at it."

The city staff had already ascertained that the section planned to cross city property was still in the final design stage. Construc-

tion bids were not expected to be announced until the fall of 1979.

Councilman Schwan agreed that there was "logic in stopping any way till the matter (of Montgomery County's action) is resolved." Schwan noted that population projections for the area to be served by the new pipeline have been revised downward since the project was first contemplated.

Advisory Planning Board Chairman Donald Volk agreed. "If Montgomery County won't go, the Prince Georges County section would be a white elephant," he said. (This would be true since the intake hook-up lies in Montgomery County.) Most of the PG section between Kenilworth and New Hampshire Ave. has already been installed or is in the process of completion. Parts of the project can be seen running along the west side of Kenilworth near the city cemetery, as well as along Rhode Island Avenue in the Hollywood area.

On White's motion, council agreed to ask the WSSC to defer initiating construction on the portion of Project 80 going through the Greenbelt parkland area until a resolution has been obtained from Montgomery County committing their participation in the rest of the region.

(The city has already received \$11,000 from the WSSC for right-of-way for the pipeline across city property. That constitutes the major portion of funds expected to be allocated in the next fiscal year

for development of the new city ballpark on Northway extended.)

Council Pot Pourri

Council passed for first reading an increase of \$9,000 to the Motor Equipment Maintenance Fund, bringing the total appropriations for the fund to \$87,100 for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1979 . . . agreed to send a letter to Senators Charles Mathias and Paul Sarbanes and to Congresswoman Gladys Spellman giving its endorsement of a resolution by the Metropolitan Washington Council of Governments requesting increased federal aid for construction and operation of the Metro Rail system . . . voted support of the National Capital Planning Commission's recommendation that a master plan be drawn up for Greenbelt Park before any capital improvements be made there (pending is a projected expenditure of \$34,000 in fiscal year 1984 for design of a 100 square foot visitor orientation facility near the park entrance) . . . approved the expenditure of up to \$300 for a shuttle bus for the Labor Day Festival weekend . . . authorized a request to the Board of Education to take responsibility for having the grass cut along the curb of the Eleanor Roosevelt Senior High School property on Hanover Parkway . . . and requested that the city get from the University of Maryland and publish for the use of Greenbelt citizens what to do about the tent caterpillar infestations so abundant at the present time.

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Mrs. Myrtle Jones, first resident to move into Green Ridge House, cuts the ribbon marking the formal dedication, on June 3, of the new elderly housing facility. She is assisted by Mayor Richard R. Pilski on her right. Others in the picture, taken indoors because of torrential rains that fell throughout the day, are, from left to right: Jose Morales, chairman of the Elderly Housing Advisory Committee; Councilmen Thomas X. White, Charles Schwan, Richard Castaldi and

Gil Weidenfeld; and Curtis Furgason, CMF Management. Between Mayor Pilski and Mrs. Jones are State Senator Ed Conroy and CDA Director Thomas Cook. Others in the picture are State Delegates Charles (Buzz) Ryan and Gerard Devlin; GRH resident Mrs. Mildred Robertson; architect Stephen Parker of Lawrence and Grimm; Mike Roll, Mayor of District Heights; Reverend Edward Birner; City Manager James K. Giese; and County Councilman Frank Casula.

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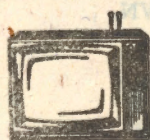
There were 5 tables of bridge at the Duplicate game on June 15. Playing was Mrs. Bea Skolnik, mother of the late Al Skolnik who was Director of the Club for many years. In first place was the team of Bob Gunn and Peg Wainscott. Second place winners were newcomers Pauline and Ken Robinson. At the June 22 game, there were nine pairs. Top honors went to Ruth and son Rick McIntosh, also newcomers. In second place were Clare Jacobs and Shirley Bryant.

The following residents of Greenbelt have been named to the Dean's List at Frostburg State College for outstanding academic performance during the 1978-79 Spring semester: Annette M. Femrite, 8 Maplewood Court and Pamela J. Siegel, 16 Maplewood Court.

Third base player Lisa Camino was the guest of honor at a going-away party Tuesday June 26. Members of the Girls Club 11-year-old softball team had a picnic lunch at Margaret Williamson's house and then spent the afternoon at the pool. Lisa was presented with a softball and an address book signed by team members Kathy Wilding, Dawn Saboury, Cheryl and Christl Strock, Heidi Robertson, Karen Bailey, Margaret Williamson, Tina Leckliter, Jean Morgan and Suzy Keifline. Lisa left Greenbelt on Wednesday to live in Phoenix, Arizona, with her father.

Douglas Stanley Graham, son of Mr. and Mrs. Douglas E. Graham, 2-A Woodland Way, has been named to the dean's list for spring semester at Lebanon Valley College, Annville, Pa. Douglas is a recent graduate of the college where he received the Bachelor of Arts degree in social science.

Janis McFarland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry McFarland, 3 Fayette, received a B.S. degree in Biology from Virginia Polytechnic Institute.



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Stephanie, along with her classmates in Mrs. Jackson's room had participated in Center's balloon loft last March. She sent up a balloon with her name and address attached and then waited for it to be found. After two weeks during which a few balloons were returned but not Stephanie's, students assumed that no more would be returned. So it came as a surprise to Stephanie and her classmates when Stephanie received a letter telling her that her balloon had been found in late May.

Mark Clingan, a high school senior, wrote to tell Stephanie that he had found her balloon in his front yard. Kilmarnock, in Lancaster County, is across the Chesapeake Bay, from Onancock. It is around 125 miles south of Greenbelt.

Later Stephanie received another letter from a reporter from the Rappahannock Record. Enclosed was a page from that newspaper on which was a picture of the balloon's finder and a short news item. Stephanie is not likely to forget her balloon!

Spear Elected GHI Committee Chmn.

Robert Spear was elected chairman of the Nominations and Elections Committee at its meeting on June 26. It is Spear's fourth year on the committee and his first term as chairman.

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Curbs and gutters were excavated on Crescent Road. The base next to the curb on Crescent Road and on Centerway was replaced; 32.5 tons of asphalt was used in restoring the area behind the curb on Crescent Road.

The regular trash crew was short one driver; therefore, some drivers have been working six day weeks. Special trash crews are also working six day weeks as special trash requests have been heavy.

Swim Team News

by Karen Jones

The Greenbelt swim team will begin its season on Saturday, June 30, with a tri-meet at Gateway. This will be an interdivisional meet with the top-seeded teams from D (Greenbelt), E (Longbranch), and F (Gateway) divisions competing. Swimmers and officials should meet at Greenbelt pool no later than 7:15.

The team is still looking for interested swimmers under the age of 18. Practices are at 7 a.m. for 12 and over, and 8 a.m. for 12 and under. A "B" team practice is held from 12-1 for those needing additional stroke work.

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GHI Board Votes to Move Ahead On Insulation, Windows, Some Repairs

by Barbara Likowski

The Rehabilitation program—how to get it started, what form it should take, and what kind of financing is possible—occupied the Board of Directors of Greenbelt Homes, Inc. for most of a lengthy board meeting, June 14. President Don Volk presided with all directors except James Foster present.

Board members seemed to agree that the corporation should start the rehabilitation as soon as possible, but disagreed about how this should be done. Director Jim Smith pointed out that GHI must follow as closely as possible the plan approved by the membership in October. He affirmed, and most board members agreed, that heat loss and insulation needed to be addressed first because of the escalating cost of fuel oil.

Several possible financing plans were presented by manager Roy Breashears: 1) through borrowing from an insurance company for 30 years at 10½ to 11% interest, 2) through a bank for 10 years at 14%, 3) through municipal bonds at 8% for 20 years, or 4) State of Maryland's Community Development Agency at 8% for 20 years. The charter amendment recently passed by the city council would enable GHI to apply for municipal bond financing, the least expensive financing possible for rehabilitation. Such financing could be available to GHI as early as September unless voters petition the charter amendment to referendum which, even if approved by the voters, would have the effect of delaying this type of low cost financing.

On a motion by directors Virginia Moryadas and Norman Weyel, the board opted to start the first phase of a major rehabilitation this summer with bank financing, and to continue to strive for the lower financing available through municipal bonds or the state's Community Development Agency.

The programs, which will begin as soon as possible, are insulation, replacement storm windows, frame siding, structural repairs and possibly roof replacement.

A major drawback to plan adopted by the Board is that it could result in a loss of the 325 units of Section 8 assistance for low-income families which would be received by GHI through a federal grant, the Neighborhood Strategies Area. The assistance is tied to the government's description of a "major" rehabilitation program and what GHI plans to do may not qualify.

Electric Heat?

Director Ed James would like to see electric heat added to the program. He had invited Mr. Herbert from Pepco to come and answer technical questions concerning electrical heat. Board members questioned Herbert about the possibility of rate increases. Herbert informed the board that while actual rates could not be quoted, Pepco was apt to give favorable attention to GHI if it were to install electric heat since Pepco would like to increase its winter load over the summer load (summer load being highest at present). Since electric heat was not approved by the membership, the board would have to go back to the membership for approval. Also Smith pointed out that changing to electric heat would mean the board could not utilize solar heat since the water conductors needed for solar heating would no longer be there.

The board also voted to postpone a proposed review of the maintenance department until the first meeting in September. This would give the new maintenance director Robert Langelais time to get oriented and find out what problems need correcting. There was disagreement about whether to attack the problem through compiling maintenance calls and studying them or, as director Wayne Williams suggested, having the director of maintenance explain the problems to the board.

It was pointed out that a few members have made it their business to interject themselves into the maintenance department and it is costing the corporation a lot of money because it is keeping the maintenance director from doing his job. Members need to be told to desist.

Fire Training Program

Greenbelt's fire chief Michael Dutton was present at the meeting to answer questions board members

might have had concerning the fire department's request to burn 10 A-H Laurel Hill as a training program. Dutton pointed out that there had only been 2 serious GHI fires in the last 15 years and so the company had little experience in fighting such fires. The fire department proposed to burn both ends toward the middle and collapse each wall into the foundation. Director Margaret Hogensen was opposed to the burning because of pollution and the possibility of children getting in.

The board was concerned about who would be responsible in between burnings. Dutton stated that the fire company was waiting for an opinion from its attorney. There was also concern about the possibility of moving the pipes and what a salvage company might charge for razing the building. The board decided to wait until bids from salvage companies could be obtained and questions of liability could be answered.

Miscellaneous

Delayed until the July meeting was committee reorganization.

Visiting the corporation to study housing, particularly cooperative housing, was a delegation from a cooperative in Lebanon. In observ-

ing the membership participation early in the meeting, they were able to see the cooperative in action at the member level.

Member Eunice Coxon complained to the board that the report of the ad hoc committee to investigate charges by a former employee "was superficial, inconclusive and repetitious." She felt some of the charges were bordering on criminal, and said GHI's lawyer should have looked into the charges and any offenses such as theft should be prosecuted. (GHI's lawyer Al Ginsberg had attempted to interview the employee but was unable to reach him). Coxon felt the members had a right to know and so she had paid fifty cents for photocopies of the report. She felt the corporation should reimburse her for that cost. Coxon also asked that the names of all committee members be added to the report. Volk assured her the report would be placed on a future agenda.

Former board member Steve Polaschik informed the board that he had heard a newscast report that the price of oil would be escalating. He felt it was time for the board to get funds and begin insulating the frame homes. "The time for dilly-dallying is long gone," he said.

The visitors from Lebanon also heard another member criticize the "stupidity" of GHI's current shed policy. The member had gotten permission to erect a free standing shed in 1968 and now, when ready to sell her house, had found that the shed did not meet present regulations. Her angry outburst brought a promise to try to work something out.

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